Introduction of mini buses in Delhi under STA

632. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether some Mini Buses under S.T.A. have been introduced on some new routes in Delhi during 1990 and upto June, 1991;

(b) if so, give details thereof with names of routes covered separately in 1990 and 1991;

(c) what is the criteria for selection of these routes;

(d) whether Government propose to introduce more such mini buses under S.T.A. to cover more areas during second half of 1991 and first half of 1992; and

(e) if so, give details thereof and if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) The Delhi Administration have stated that since the Mass Rapid Transit System in Delhi integrating Road Transport with Railway system is under active consideration of Delhi Administration/Government of India, no permits for mini buses are being sanctioned.

Revision of fares for buses operating in Delhi under S.T.A.

633. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether fares of buses under S.T.A. in Delhi have been revised in the past;

(b) if so, the details of these fares slabwise;

(c) whether it is a fact that minimum fare is 0.75 paise;

(d) whether Government are aware that staff of buses under S.T.A. have been charging Re. 1/- as minimum fare;

(e) whether minimum fare of Re. 1/- has also been printed in all buses under S.T.A.;

(f) whether Government propose to take some action in the matter against such bus operators for over-charging; and

(g) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Fares of buses under S.T.A. in Delhi were last revised in April, 1990.

(b) The details of fares revised are as under:—

(i) *Standard size buses*

Distance	Pre-revised fare	Revised fare w.e.f. 2-4-1990
	Rs. P.	Rs. P.
Upto 5 Km.	0.50	0.75
Subsequent per Km.	0.05	0.05
(ii) *Mini buses*		
Upto 6 Km.	0.50	0.75
6—16 Km.	1.00	1.50
16 and above	1.50	2.00
(iii) *Point Micro mini buses*		
Flat rate	1.00	1.50

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) to (g) Eight complaints have been received by the Delhi Administration in this regard and show cause notices have been issued to the permit holder under Section 86 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988.

D.T.C. buses

634. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of D.T.C. buses plying on the roads to-date and the number of commuters who travelled in those buses during the period January-June, 1991;

(b) whether it is a fact that the number of D.T.C. buses have been reduced, if so the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government propose to allow more private buses to cope with the rush in the capital, if so, the likely number thereof in proportion to D.T.C. buses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) DTC had 3718 buses on road in June, 1991. Number of passengers carried daily (in lakhs) during the period January-June 1991 is given below :—

January, 1991	February, 1991	March, 1991
47.81	47.02	44.97
April, 1991	**May, 1991**	**June, 1991**
44.68	36.55	35.68

(b) There was a marginal decline of 4 buses during the period Jan.-June, 1991 due to scrapping of 4 over-aged buses which could not be replaced.

(c) 54 P.O. buses have been inducted during the current financial year. More number of private buses are not coming under D.T.C. due to unremunerative fare. The Delhi Administration have also been advised to grant additional stage carriage permits to private operators.

चकमा शरणार्थियों को वापस स्वदेश भेजा जाना

636. **श्री राम जेठमलानी :**
श्री रणजीत सिंह :

क्या विदेश मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगेकि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि बांगलादेश से आए लगभग 56,000 चकमा शरणार्थी अभी भी देश में त्रिपुरा राज्य में रह रहे हैं;

(ख) क्या हाल ही में बांगलादेश में हुए राजनीतिक परिवर्तनों को ध्यान में रखते हुए सरकार ने इन शरणार्थियों को वापस स्वदेश भेजे जाने के संबंध में बांगलादेश सरकार के साथ कोई बातचीत की है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में बातचीत कब हुई थी; और

(घ) उक्त बातचीत का क्या परिणाम निकला और क्या इन शरणार्थियों पर खर्च की जा रही धनराशि को बांगलादेश सरकार से वापस लेने के लिए भी कोई बातचीत की गई है ?

विदेश मंत्री (श्री माधवसिंह सोलंकी) : (क) जी, हां । इस समय त्रिपुरा में रह रहे बंगलादेश से आए चकमा शरणार्थियों की संख्या 53,154 है ।

(ख) जी, हां । बंगलादेश में अन्तरिम सरकार का गठन हो जाने पर इस मसले पर बंगलादेश के साथ विचार-विमर्श किया गया था । इसके बाद शरणार्थियों की